

There were three Democrats who voted for the Prohibition resolution in the Assembly, and forty Republicans.

Governor Rusk has signed the bill repealing the anti-trading law. It was too much of a travesty on law to be permitted to remain on the statute books.

We have received from Hon. Frank Leland, American Consul at Hamilton, Ontario, the amount of exports to the United States, during the year 1881, for his consular district. The total for the year is \$3,043,275, an increase of over half a million over 1880, and nearly a million over 1879.

It is supposed that the Legislature will adjourn somewhere between the 15th and 20th of this month. The apportionment, however, may delay an adjournment beyond that time. The committee will agree upon the Assembly districts but there is some disagreement in regard to the formation of two Senatorial districts. It is thought that there will not be much of a contest in the formation of the nine congressional districts. The disposition seems to be to give the Democrats two out of the nine districts, and probably this will be settled upon harmoniously. The Democrats will not claim any more than they are entitled to, and the Republicans will not feel disposed to take more than common justice would demand.

One day last week the Evening Wisconsin said:

"The pleasantest day of the winter, in this city, is the last day of March," said The Chicago Journal of yesterday—which leaves one with the impression that the writer has just come over from Cork.

To which a correspondent in the Chicago Journal answers as follows:

The editor of the Wisconsin evidently thinks that winter ends with the last day of February. A statistical work of high authority, published in New York, says winter commences on the 11th of December, and ends on the 14th of March. We advise the editor of the Wisconsin to go to Cork to learn correct dates.

In the common meaning of the word "winter," the Journal may have been "too previous," by one day, as usage makes the period from the first day of December to the first day of March, winter, or in other words the cold season of the year. But in astronomical usage, the period from the twenty-first of December to the vernal equinox, about the twenty-first of March, is called winter, and therefore the Journal correspondent is wrong, if Webster is right, in saying that winter begins on the eleventh of December and ends on the 14th of March.

There has been established in Chicago an institution of great importance which will be known as the "College of Physicians and Surgeons, of Chicago." The building will be commenced at once and will cost \$12,000, and will be located opposite the Cook County Hospital. The first session will begin about the first of October, and will continue six months. A graded course of instruction has been established which will require a period of four years to complete. The college has been formed in the interest of a higher and more thorough medical education and they intend to make its organization, equipment, and plans of teaching so excellent and complete in every particular, as to enable it to rank with the foremost medical schools in this or any foreign country. Dr. Henry Palmer, of this city, has been invited to take a position in the college, and has accepted, taking the chair of Operative and Clinical Surgery and Surgical Pathology. He will devote a part of two days each week during the sessions to lectures on these branches of surgery and accepts the responsible and honorable position tendered him on condition that he will not be compelled to change his residence. It is the intention of the board of directors that the examination for the degree of Doctor of Medicine shall be conducted by a committee of examiners who are separate and distinct from the teaching corps, and who have otherwise no connection with, or interest in, the College. The examinations will be so rigid, that there will be no possibility of a student passing through unless he is thoroughly competent and otherwise worthy.

Ships Without Sailors.
It does not seem to have occurred to those who are so anxious to revive American commerce by subsidies that, even if they were to succeed in launching a fleet of American steamers, there would be no American sailors to man them. Naval officers might to some extent be induced to leave the navy and to take command of merchant vessels, but it would be impossible to find American sailors enough to make up a crew fit for a first-class ocean steamship. Our American vessels would have to be manned by foreigners, and it is difficult to see how the patriotism which can not tolerate the admission of a foreign-built ship to an American register could tolerate the presence of a crew of motley foreigners on the deck of an American-built ship.—N. Y. Times.

But "sailors" are not required in great numbers on steamships. The sails are not important to steamers. If it were not for the danger of breaking the screw, a steamer would be better and swifter without masts or sails, and they play a conspicuous but very subordinate role. Steamers are manned for the greater part by sailors. A few real sailors are wanted, but they can be found in the fishing boats. Let us have the steamers, and there will be sailors enough.—Cincinnati Commercial.

Send for circular of new style of Hop per Scale with Leveling attachment Borden, Sellick & Co., Chicago.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

It is Generally Conceded that Conkling Will Decline.

Robert Collyer's Opinion of the Crowds That Welcome Ingersoll.

The Raging Floods in the South Still Continue Their Destruction.

An Oshkosh Fiend Reported Running at Large.

Other Interesting State and Miscellaneous News Items.

FROM MADISON.

MADISON, March 4.—Under the new law organizing Price courts for judicial purposes, Charles H. Darlington was appointed to-day by the governor as clerk of the circuit court of said county.

The report of State-Treasurer McFetridge for the month of February shows a balance in the treasury of \$1,209,644. The receipts during the month were \$642,759; disbursements, \$122,339.

The prohibitionists, disgusted with the defeat of their measure in the Assembly Friday night, were in council to-day, and propose to make a stronger fight than ever next year, making a strong canvass for the Legislature, and putting up a ticket in every congressional district in the State.

A legislative reception and hop will be held Tuesday, March 14. The session will probably close in two weeks. The day is very dull around the capital, most of the members having gone home over recess. Both Houses meet again Monday evening.

TRAIN WRECKERS.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 5.—A dastardly attempt was made early yesterday morning to wreck the morning passenger train of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, on the Northern division, and but for the watchfulness and bravery of the engineer, a large number of lives would have been lost. Shortly after the train had left Fox Station the engineer discovered that the twenty-eight feet rails, some distance ahead, had been torn up and replaced in such a manner that the train would be derailed. He immediately reversed his engine, and succeeded in bringing the train to a standstill just as the place was reached. Investigation revealed the fact that four rails had been displaced. Section hands were telegraphed for and the track repaired, when the train proceeded to this city. The fiendish outrage has greatly excited the officials of the company, and any possible means to bring them to justice will be resorted to.

Joseph Durringer, Broadway, Buffalo, was induced by his brother to try Thomas' Electric Oil for a sprained ankle; and with half a dozen applications he was enabled to walk around again all right.

A FIEND AT LARGE.

Oshkosh, March 5.—Interest has been awakened here by a report that one Wisconsin, a farmer who two years ago it was supposed committed suicide, after killing his wife, attempting the life of his daughter, and setting fire to the premises, is still alive. After the fire portions of remains were found which were supposed to be those of Wisconsin and his wife. The daughter, who crawled from the burning dwelling, and was afterwards cared for by neighbors, finally recovered, and an effort has been made to settle the estate for her benefit. The insurance company that held policies on the house have refused to make a settlement, and a suit to recover is to be tried at the next term of the circuit court. The insurance company has always claimed that Wisconsin is alive, and within a few days a neighbor has offered to produce him for \$500.

Maine News.

Hop Bitter, which are advertised in our columns, are a sure cure for ague, biliousness and kidney complaints. Those who use them say they cannot be too highly recommended. Those afflicted should give them a fair trial, and will become thereby enthusiastic in the praise of their curative qualities.—Portland Advertiser.

ROBERT COLLYER.

New York, March 5.—The Rev. Robert Collyer said this evening he counted it a wonderful sight to see large halls of the principal cities of the world crowded to welcome the arch-champion of atheists such as Robert G. Ingersoll is. The people who went to hear Ingersoll, the speaker said, were neither fools nor knaves, but they were people of sound minds and charitable dispositions. From his own personal acquaintance with Colonel Ingersoll, Dr. Collyer felt drawn toward the eminent atheist; but when he came to read in the newspapers certain things that Mr. Ingersoll said, he could hardly believe it was the same man. The latter was prone to seek public commendation rather than to establish any principal of right. He played for the benefit of the Bowery boys. Mr. Ingersoll, roasting about as the champion atheist at an income of \$25,000 a year, as common report has it, is quite a different man from Mr. Ingersoll personally. Said the speaker: "No grander words had ever been said, however, than the words spoken by Colonel Ingersoll in relation to the Union soldiers during the War of the Rebellion, but those words did not refer to religion."

CONKLING.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Nothing has been heard yet from Mr. Conkling, and the President has no direct information as to his intentions relative to the acceptance or declination of the Justiceship of the Supreme Court. Opinion is very much divided upon the question. It is known that when he first learned of the nomination he was loth to accept it, but some of his friends have since that time strongly urged the propriety of his acceptance, with what effect is not known here.

Colonel George Bliss summed up the intelligence here respecting Conkling's intentions to-night thus: "He has not declined but he will. Information from New York is to the effect that the declination is on its way."

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THE FLOOD SUFFERERS.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 5.—The river at this point is about stationary, but will doubtless commence rising again to-night, as heavy rains have fallen all of to-day throughout this region, which makes the situation below, gloomy as it was, still more so.

In an interview to-night with a Western Associated Press reporter, Commissioner L. H. Mangum, of Arkansas, said that in the counties of Mississippi, Crittenden, Lee, Ponsett, Cross, Craighead, St. Francis, Phillips, Desha, Chicot, and Monroe, in Arkansas, he had information of about twenty thousand destitute people, who would have to be fed by the government for at least forty days. Those counties do not include those bordering on the Red river where great suffering is said to exist.

Commissioner W. L. Hemmingsway, of Mississippi, said the inhabitants of Louisiana, Calumet, Desoto, Quitman, Bolivar, Washington, Issaquena, Yazoo, Tallahatchie, and Sunflower, counties in this State, to the number of 15,000 were in a like suffering condition. Those counties in Mississippi are all above Vicksburg, and there are other counties below that city that have suffered by the floods. It is apparent the donation of \$100,000 made by the general government will fall short of the amount necessary to keep the needy throughout the overflowed regions until the waters subside.

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A FAILURE.

WATERTOWN, Wis., March 4.—The firm of J. & L. Runkle, of Lowell, Dodge County, dealers in general merchandise for the past twenty years, made a voluntary assignment to-day for the benefit of their creditors. Liabilities \$15,000, Assets \$7,000. Among the creditors are the Wisconsin National Bank, of this city, Bank of Watertown, Bradley & Metcalf, Ingham Bros., and Stearns & Bro., of Milwaukee.

Kidney Complaint Cured.

B. Turner, Rochester, N. Y., writes: "I have been for over a year subject to serious disorder of the kidneys, and often unable to attend to business; I procured your BURDOCK BLOOD PURIFIER and was relieved before half a bottle was taken. I intend to continue, as I feel confident that they will entirely cure me." Price 50 cents, trial bottle 10 cents. For sale by A. J. Roberts and Sherer & Co.

FORCED TO DISGORGE.

ELKHORN, March 5.—A slander suit closed here yesterday in the circuit court, the parties being J. M. Stillman, defendant, aged 67 years, a deacon of the Baptist church at East Troy, and Miss F. Turnbull, a milliner of East Troy. The chastity of the plaintiff was fully established, and the jury gave a verdict of \$1,000 damages against Deacon Stillman.

Mr. Kiffenstein, Boston, Mass., writes: "Your SPRING BLOSSOM has cured me of dyspepsia, of four (4) years standing. I have regained my normal appetite, can sleep well and feel like a new man." Price 50 cents, trial bottles 10 cents. Sold by A. J. Roberts and Sherer & Co.

New inventions always bring new dangers. The janitor of the German Reichrath, getting too near the battery of the legislative chambers, was permanently paralyzed in the right half of his body. An iron-wheel buggy passing over the electric railroad, produced an explosion, injuring the proverbial young man and woman riding in it.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

(From Detroit Free Press Household.)

APPLE PANCAKES.—Make one quart of batter as for any other pancake, and add one cup of finely chopped apple. The batter must be stirred each time a spoonful is taken out in order to equalize it.

FLOORCLOTHS.—Do not put carpets in your closets; oilcloth or matting is much better, and can be easily kept free from dust. Matting after being swept should be wiped with a damp cloth. Hot salt and water will thoroughly cleanse it and will not discolor it.

APPLE CUSTARD PIE.—Scald the milk and let it cool. Grate some sweet apples. Take two thirds of a cup of powdered sugar, four well-beaten eggs, one cupful of milk, one-fourth of a nutmeg. Line an earthen pie-dish with a rich crust and let it bake. Then fill with the custard and let it bake for half an hour. To be eaten cold.

GINGERBREAD LOAF.—One cup of butter, one of molasses, one of sugar, half of cold water, one tablespoonful of ginger, one tablespoonful of cinnamon, one of soda dissolved in boiling water; melt the butter, slightly warm the molasses, spice and sugar, and heat together ten minutes; then put in the water, soda and flour; stir very hard and bake in three loaves. Brush them over with syrup while hot and eat fresh.

POTATO PUFFS.—Take mashed potatoes and make them into a paste with one or two eggs; roll it over with a dust of flour and cut round with a saucer; have ready some cold roast meat (any kind) free from gristle and chopped fine, seasoned with salt and pepper, place it on the potatoes and fold it over like a puff, pinch or nick it neatly around and bake for a few minutes.

WASHING TOWELS.—Towels with hand-some, bright borders should never be boiled, or allowed to lie in very hot water; they should not be used till they are so much soiled that they need vigorous rubbing to make them clean. It is better economy to use more towels than to wear out a few in a short time. A gentle rubbing in two suds, and then a conscientious rinsing in warm water and then in cold, ought to be all that is required.

VEGETABLES AND SALADS.—Upon the washing of green vegetables for salads much of their excellence depends; they should be shaken about without breaking, in a large pan of cold water well salted, since the action of the salt will destroy all the minute inhabitants of their fresh green covers, and, once dead, from sheer force of gravity they will fall to the bottom of the water. When the salad plants are free from sand and insects they should be shaken, without breaking their leaves, in a colander, a wire basket, or a dry napkin until no moisture adheres to them; then they may be used at once or kept until wanted in a very cold, dark place.

PRESERVED ORANGES.—Take any number of oranges, with rather more than their weight in white sugar. Slightly grate the oranges and score them round and round with a knife, but do not cut very deep. Put them in cold water for three days, changing the water two or three times a day. Tie them up in a cloth, boil them until they are soft enough for the head of a pin to penetrate the skin. While they are boiling place the sugar on the fire, with rather more than half a pint of water to each pound; let it boil for a minute or two, then strain it through muslin. Put the oranges into the syrup till it jellies and is a yellow color. Try the syrup by putting some to cool. It must not be too stiff. The syrup need not cover the oranges, but they must be turned, so that each part gets thoroughly done.

TO GIVE PINE AN OAK COLOR.—Wash the wood carefully in a solution of copperas dissolved in strong lye, in the proportion of a pound of copperas to a gallon of lye; when the wood is dry after having been thus thoroughly saturated with this wash, oil it, and it will look fresh and nice for a year or two, when it can be restained and again oiled. Often, when not subjected to hard usage, the color will remain undimmed for several years, only requiring to be oiled occasionally. The color may be put on with a short-bristled brush, or the hands being protected with thick buckskin gloves, the wash may be applied with a cloth, which will saturate the wood more evenly. It will blister the hands if they are not well protected.

Indelicity in Paradise.

There is a story, a little ethical apology about one Peter, a poor and ignorant teamster, who, dissatisfied with his hard life of drudgery, prayed that he might be allowed the comfort of a walk in Paradise. An angel appeared, and offered to grant his wish if he would promise to study with docility whatever he saw there and to utter no criticism or censure.

Accepting the terms he joyfully accompanied his guide. The first thing he noticed was that the houses of the inhabitants were made of transparent gems. "Why," he exclaimed, "this is a great defect; there can be no privacy; you are all exposed to public gaze!" The angel, with a slight frown and a warning finger, replied: "They who are free from sin and guilt need no concealment. The glory of God is rather in exhibiting than in hiding."

They passed on and Peter next perceived several angels bearing golden buckets full of water, which they poured into sieves. He could not restrain his surprise and disapproval. "What a folly!" he cried; "the water runs out as fast as they pour it in." The angel sternly rebuked him for this second violation of his pledge, and showed him that the fine sieves strained out the leaves and other matter floating in the water, which then ran underground in numerous channels, all over the garden, to freshen the flowers and the fruit trees. Peter hung his head, and proceeded for some time in silence. In a little while, however, they came to a gorgeous chariot whose driver was urging with voice and whip two pairs of horses harnessed on his right and left, one pair headed to the east, the other pair to the west. Peter forgot all his caution and his former experience. Was he not a teamster, and did he not know? In a loud voice he called to the chariot driver, "Fasten your horses all in the same direction, or you cannot move!" Sud-denly a deep repentance fell on him; for he now saw that the horses had wings; as they strove in contrary directions, the chariot rose into the air as if by magic. It was his third offense against the teaching spirit, and the angel put a

bandage over his eyes, seized him by the ear, and hustled him out of Paradise into the sterile place whence he had come. The human is admitted into the society of the angelic not to criticize or condemn, but to love and assimilate. The first lesson, therefore, is docility.—"School of Life."

Billingsiana.

I have never known a second wife but what was less of the situation. After a man gets to be 38 years old he can't form any new habits much; the best he can do is to steer the old ones. Every man who can swap horses or ketch fish and not lie about it, is just as much a man ever get to be in this world. The successful man I ever met is a henpecked husband when he is away from home. An enthusiast is an individual who believes about four times as much as he can prove, and prove about four times as much as anybody believes. The dog that will follow anybody ain't worth a cent. Those people who are trying to get to heaven on their knees will find out at last that they didn't have a thru ticket. Too long courtships are not always judicious; the party often tire out scoring before the trot begins. One quart of cheap whisky, judiciously applied, will do more business for Satan than the smartest deacon he has got. Josh Billings.

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She Hated a Lie.

It was the last evening of the dying year, and the beautiful Sophronia Suggs walked slowly back and forth before her plate glass, gilt-framed mirror, in the elegant drawing-room of her sumptuous home on Harrison avenue. Sophronia Suggs, like the year, was dying—dying to know who and how many of her admirers would call in to gaze upon her loveliness, heightened as it was by all that her papa's wealth could afford, and all that the costliest of the hair-dresser's and the painter's art could give.

Hark! What is that? It is the bell. It is the ring of Henry Hawkesworth. Sophronia knows it well. Henry Hawkesworth thought to pull only the inert matter vulgarly called a bell, but he did more; he pulled at Sophronia Suggs' heart strings.

Therefore Sophronia gazed into the mirror to see that her Montagues, water waves, frizzes, etc., were in becoming order. Then she sat herself down beside the ornate center table, and was at once absorbed in the thrilling pages of Huxley.

It was impossible to guess how long Henry Hawkesworth might have stood gazing at the lovely Sophronia, all unconscious of his presence, had it not so chanced that Henry, who was suffering from acute catarrh, suddenly sneezed a sneeze that might have awakened a thoroughly matured mummy.

Sophronia looked on and smiled. Henry had smiled before he came in. "Frithee," spoke the fair damsel, "why come thou hither, brave gentleman? Methinks thou art too lavish of thy company. It was but yesternight, or I mistake me, that thou wert in this same apartment."

Exclaimed Henry, interrupting: "Fair maiden, it is, indeed, as thou sayest. But know the reason thereof. I am in love."

"With whom?" "Canst ask it?" "Didst not hear me?" "I didst."

At this Henry knelt himself at the feet of the fair damsel, first taking the precaution to spread his pocket-handkerchief on the carpet, that he might not soil his nether integuments.

"I am thine to command," he remarked, after he had got himself into proper position for the tableau.

"Thou lovest me not," said Sophronia.

"By my troth, fair lady, but I do not," argued Henry. "Put me but to the proof, if thou doubtest."

"That will I, and at once," replied Sophronia. "Hearken, sir; this is the death-day of the spent year. How wilt thou make thyself worthy of one whose papa holds a seat in the Common Council?"

"I will drink no more!" "Have a care, sir!" "Nay, but I swear it!" "This enough! Begone! Thou hast pronounced thine own dismissal!"

And Sophronia was gone! gone! gone!

"By my halidom!" cried Henry, rising and shaking the dust from his handkerchief, "here's a go!"

Then he walked hastily out of the room, out of the hallway, out of the front door, out into the Night!

Then Sophronia came back into the room again, and was again immersed in Huxley, when another ring at the doorbell aroused her in time to see James Shortjohn by her side.

"Thou art come to tell me thou lovest me!" she said, anticipating him.

"How sayest truly," James replied. "How may I know thou speakest from thine heart?"

"By this," answered Sophronia. "It is the last day of the year. To-morrow's morn finds me a slave to tobacco no more. I chew no more forever. I have sworn it!"

"Ha! ha!" laughed Sophronia. "Thou double-dated knave. Thou comest to mock me; but hence! Let Harrison Avenue be forever freed from thy polluting presence!"

James took this as a hint to go, and he went.

Next came Theodore Battlebig. Theodore got on famously till he spoke of love.

"Prove it, sirrah!" exclaimed the unimpressible Sophronia.

"Thou knowest," he began, "that—" "I know it all," said Sophronia, interrupting him. "Thou wouldst say that thou smokest."

"I wouldst."

"That thou smokest no more."

"I have sworn it."

"Thou wilt find the door open, sirrah!"

And Theodore was also sent about his business.

But yet a fourth time did the doorbell jangle.

Samuel Swansdown entered R. I. E. to Sophronia L. C.

Samuel was about to declare his love. Indeed, he was come for that purpose; but Sophronia stopped him.

"Dost smoke?" she asked.

"I do not," murmured Samuel.

"And chestnut?"

"Yes, indeed."

"And shouldst smile."

"And hast thou sworn to abandon either?"

"I have not."

"Hast not sworn it?"

"Nay."

"And thou lovest me?"

"I do not."

"Thou art accepted. Thou needst not speak to papa. He will not thwart my dearest wish."

These stars indicate where they talked it over. As Samuel was about to depart, Sophronia said, looking into his happy face—

"Sammy, I hate smoking, I hate chewing, I hate drinking; but there is one other thing I hate worse than either. Henry has sworn never to drink more, and I have discarded him. James swears nevermore to chew, and he has gone hence disgruntled. Theodore has plighted his troth henceforth to forego smoking, and he is gone. Thou hast promised naught, and art accepted, and for why?"

"Why is't, dearest?" softly whispered Samuel.

"Because I hate lying," hissed Sophronia.

And then the two fond creatures kissed each other a "Happy New Year" kiss.

—Boston Transcript.

Alexandra, Princess of Wales, has set in England one excellent fashion. She has made so public a display of her affection for her young sons and daughters that it has become the mode for the fashionable British matron similarly to express her affections. Small boys and girls have completely eclipsed toy-terriers and pugs as the pets paraded by ladies in Victoria and on foot in Hyde Park at the height of the season.

GENERAL.

Forty-six New England families, representing Massachusetts, Vermont, Maine, and Rhode Island, are about to settle at a point near Bismarck, Dak., on the line of the Northern Pacific Road, where they will found a new town.

There's nothing selfish about Chicago people. When a baker's family had the small-pox the baker divided his time between nursing the patients and waiting on the public. He was perfectly willing the others should have some of it.—Boston Advertiser.

One mile below Downville, Cal., on the Yuba River, is apparently a thirty pine tree about three feet in height, growing out of a solid rock. What is curious about it is the fact of its making no perceptible change in size since it was first noticed twenty years ago.

There is an old man in West Chester, Conn., who, when he married his second wife, made over to her all his property, only stipulating that he should receive from her every day enough money to purchase half a pint of rum. He has drawn and invested his stipend ever since with perfect regularity, occasionally, however, allowing his pay to accumulate for several days previous to a holiday. He does this, he says, "for obvious reasons."

On an average two ounces and a half of quinine are daily sold in the village of Schaghticoke, near Albany, N. Y. Yet a year ago the place was regarded as one of the most healthy in the State. It is charmingly situated in the hills of the Upper Hudson Valley. Malaria appeared soon after a railway embankment was constructed, which checked the course of several small streams and caused the formation of stagnant pools. This is one of the numerous instances which show that malaria comes from checked-up water-courses.

A whole cargo of petroleum was lately shipped from New York in paper casks. These casks are made by a company which has three works for the purpose—at Hartford, at Cleveland, and at Toledo. Some three thousand are delivered daily; they are painted blue, and have iron hoops, and they are \$1.35 apiece (a price which could be reduced in case of large production). The advantages of these compressed paper barrels are alleged to consist chiefly in the absence of joints, and less loss on account through leakage; great elasticity and less liability to fracture than where wood is used; lastly, less dilapidation, and diminution of expenses thereby incurred.

Some of the best grades of carpeting are now largely composed of jute, the application of the article for this purpose being facilitated by the preparation of a portion of jute yarn into what is called the "camel," and by the varying proportions of the number of the yarn made use of for the web and the main warp. The jute yarn is fermented for about ten or twelve hours in a solution formed of fifty quarts of water and one pound of alum, these proportions being used for working about ninety pounds of thread. The jute is treated by various processes, disintegrated, dried, sized, etc., and the warp is prepared and dried as usual.

Outwitting a Business Firm.

The sequel to that little tale of a few weeks ago, where the First National Bank was "out" \$5,000 in good cash and in a bundle of worthless paper instead, said to have been delivered them by one of the express companies, is still forthcoming, and the probabilities are it always will be. The occurrence brings to mind an incident in the express business that happened in Cincinnati something less than a hundred years ago, and in which a prominent local firm was identified. If false be correct, and it is in this instance at least, this prominent local firm was in the habit of sending large sums of money through the medium of the United States Express Company. The amounts frequently exceeded \$5,000, and as the firm's business grew in extent so also did the bills for expressage. Time passed on and the firm continued its dealings with the express company, but it was noticeable that the amounts transmitted were smaller than they had been in days of yore, though the packages were still of the uniform size. Right here it is met to remark that in sending money the express company charges you in proportion to the amount they handle for you. Thus, it costs just about half as much to send \$5,000 by express as it would to send \$25,000. So much for explanations. For months this thing continued, the firm sending away their money packages, but never marking on their envelopes more than \$2,000.

One day the agent of the company took it into his head to examine one of these two-thousand-dollar packages. The envelope was opened and the money counted, and the discovery was made that the amount inclosed was \$5,000 instead of \$2,000, though the latter figure found place upon the package in the writing of the firm. Of course that created a sort of a stir in the camp of the company. The agent revealed the package, but not before he had extracted \$2,000 from the little pile and transferred it into his own vault for safekeeping. The envelope was sent to the party addressed. It was delivered and the receipt taken. To say that there was a rumormongering on that other end of the line when the lure was counted is drawing it rather mild. That express agent was at once visited, and it was explained that there was \$5,000 in the package when sent, and that \$2,000 remained when it was delivered. The agent said he guessed there was some mistake; that the firm held no receipt for \$5,000; that \$2,000 was all the firm had been charged for, and he exhibited the figures in black and white to the worried firm to prove it. The upshot of the whole matter was that this prominent local firm up and acknowledged their attempts to defraud the express company, and placed their books at the disposal of the company for them to ascertain how much they had been beaten out of. The firm settled up the necessary damages and received its \$3,000 back, and it is safe to say that since then they have paid by express—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Brother Gardner Disciplines a Member.

"Am Brudder Abraham Scott in de hall dis evenin?" inquired the President of the Limekiln Club, as he looked down the aisles.

"Yes, sah," answered a voice from the northwest corner.

"Den please stop dis way."

Brother Scott scuffed forward, head down, and his countenance betraying about seventeen different emotions, and when he reached the mark the President continued:

"Brother Scott, in gwine ober to de old man Johnson's las' nite to borrow a hunk o' butter for breakfast, I dislikered some one lyin' on de sidewalk. My

first thought was to yell murder. My nex' thought was to smell of his breath. Dat settled de case to once. It wasn't a murder, but a case of dead drunk."

Brother Scott gazed straight at a bust of Venus and had nothing to say.

"It was Brother Scott!" whispered the President. "Although two of his children am bar'ful, his wife needs cloze an' he hasn't a dozen taters in de house, he had taken good money from his pocket an' paid it out for bad whisky. He wasn't a man when I foun' him. He was a hog—a great big hog!"

I could smell his breath six feet away, an' it would have made a dog sick. He had lost his hat, rolled in de slush, an' den fallen into a stuporish sleep. I got help an' toted him home, an' to-night he comes to dis meetin' to have a wote among men who work hard, respect demselves an' lib sober lives."

"Ize sorry, sah."

"No doubt of it, but dat am no defense. A fool excites pity, kase God made him dat way. A lunatic draws sympathy, kase he has met wit misfortune. A drunkard arouses nuffin but contempt. He deliberately goes as it to make a brute of hisself. You have heard me speak of dis matter on several prevus occasions, an' you know how de majority of dis club feel on de subject. In de las' two months you have bin drunk fo' times."

"Yes, sah, but I'll quit."

"I hope you will, but I doubt it. You had everything to lose by gettin' drunk de fust time. You have lost character, respect, money an' standin', an' dar's leetle hope dat you will see any reason to quit. We kin guard agin' thieves by lockin' up our money. We kin put de murderer in prison an' have him out de way. We kin expose de liar an' kiver him wid confusion. But de drunkard—de hog—de beast, who kin trust him? Who kin believe in him? Who wants his society? Who am not de graded by walkin' beside him? Brudder Scott, you am a bounced man! Your name will be crossed from our rolls, you will be refused admission heah, an' we shall forget dat you war aber numbered wid us. Let us now attack de reg'lar order o' bizness.—Detroit Free Press.

The Cost of Crime.

There is no way at present to correctly estimate the market value of a man. A good man is invaluable to society, while a wicked one sometimes shows us how expensive a thing crime is, if judged simply from the standpoint of dollars and cents. If the theory that underlies our common school system is correct, to-wit, that education promotes virtue, and that intelligence prevents crime, then the money expended in preparing our youth for the active duties of life is well spent, on the principle that prevention is better than cure.

It is still an open question, however, in some minds, whether education, or what goes by that name, really does as much in the way of preventing wickedness as its advocates usually claim for it; but, waiving that dispute as unnecessary to the present purpose, the American people have now before them a living illustration of the money cost of one great criminal. It is freely admitted that any financial reckoning in the great trial just closed at the capital of the nation is degrading, because the pain, anxiety and sorrow caused by the fiend Guiteau can never be adequately measured by dollars and cents; and yet this monster's great iniquity may be made to point a moral.

Since the trial closed, and the assassin has been convicted, the expense of trying him has been found to be no inconsiderable item. Just how much it will amount to in the aggregate it is impossible to say now, but it will be in excess of \$30,000 in order to settle all the bills. The Department of Justice will fix the compensation of Judge Porter and Lawyer Davidge for their services and a less fee than \$5,000 in each case would be out of proportion for the services rendered. Indeed, it is worth that sum for any decent man to be compelled to bear the insults of such a glib-tongued blackguard as Guiteau for over seventy days, although those who heard Judge Porter's terrible exhortation of the prisoner are of the opinion that the great advocate took occasion to get more than even with the rascal in his closing argument.

The fees for the jury will amount to \$1,540, and their board bills at the National Hotel will aggregate between \$3,000 and \$3,500; for witnesses, including mileage, there has been paid \$8,078.75, of which sum \$5,139.85 was paid on behalf of the Government, and \$2,838.90 for the defendant. About \$5,000 will be required to pay the expenses of reporting the trial. The printing has been done from day to day by the Government printing office, and will amount to a large sum. The bills for the President's funeral expenses have not yet been handed in, but they will be considerable, and the pay of Garfield's physicians will be left to the liberality of Congress. By the time Guiteau is hanged, it is safe to say that this one wicked man will have cost the Government of the United States at least \$300,000. What he has cost the people in fear, anxiety, sorrow, and the tax upon their sensibilities, can never be properly estimated in dollars and cents.—Chicago Journal.

A Jersey Joshua.

Dr. J. R. Yeager, of Burlington, N. J., is known as the "Weeping Prophet." He believes the mysteries of the future are revealed to him, and mingles his prophecies with tears. He does not practice medicine, and it is doubtful whether he deserves the title of doctor at all. His business is that of a religious book agent, and he maintains that he can get the power at any time from Heaven to make a person purchase one of his books. Every sale he makes is attributed by him to divine favor. One of his claims is that he can stop a clock at any time by merely commanding it to cease ticking. He drives around in a sulky, behind a worn-out horse which he says he never has to harness. He merely stands outside the barn-door and orders the animal to come out. The door at once opens, and the horse appears drawing the wagon already harnessed. He receives his wife from cooking meals, so he says, by simply requesting the meat to cook and the potatoes to boil. He took a great deal of interest in the recent Guiteau trial and became very much perplexed over the testimony, spending several days in his room seeking guidance in the matter. Suddenly it flashed upon him from above. The message informed him that the assassin of the late President had been crack-brained for two years. He at once addressed a letter to Judge Cox conveying the information, and offering to testify in behalf of a prisoner on the strength of his inspiration. He is very much surprised because he has not received a reply, and feels sure that the answer must have miscarried.—N. Y. World.

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